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Group Art Unit: 2176

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Sir:

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In regard to the above identified application:

1. We are transmitting herewith the attached:
 - a. Request to Withdraw Abandonment or, in the Alternative, Petition to Revive Abandoned Application under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)
 - b. Return Receipt Postcard
2. With respect to additional fees:
 - a. Attached is a check in the amount of \$
 - b. X No additional fee is due at this time.
3. Please charge any additional fees or credit overpayment to Deposit Account No. 13-2490. A duplicate copy of this sheet is enclosed.
4. **CERTIFICATE UNDER 37 CFR 1.10 (EXPRESS MAIL):** The undersigned hereby certifies that this Transmittal Letter and the documents hereinabove listed are being deposited with the United States Postal Service as "Express Mail Post Office to Addressee" being Express Mail No. EV334649115US in an envelope addressed to: Mail Stop PETITION, Commissioner for Patents, P.O. Box 1450, Alexandria, VA 22313-1450, on this 7th day of November, 2003.

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Dear Sir:

The Applicants hereby request withdrawal of the abandonment of this application, or, in the alternative, petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) to revive the instant application, which became abandoned for failure to respond to the Final Rejection mailed June 27, 2002.

The Applicants respectfully submit that a proper and timely response to the Office Action was filed, as part of a Request for Continued Examination, with all of the required fees (authorization to charge a deposit account was granted). The RCE was faxed to the US Patent and Trademark Office on September 27, 2002.

Photocopies of the following documents are attached hereto as Exhibit A:

1. Request for Continued Examination dated September 27, 2002 (19 sheets)

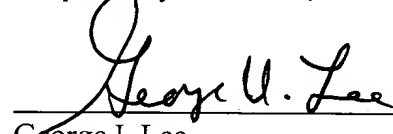
2. Auto-Reply Facsimile Transmission from the USPTO dated September 27, 2002 (1 sheet)

The Applicants respectfully submit that a proper reply to the Final Rejection was timely filed. Accordingly, it is requested that this application be revived without petition or fee.

If, however, the Patent Office determines that a petition to revive is necessary, then the applicants hereby petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b) for revival of this application. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.113, the required reply to the Final Rejection is included in Exhibit A hereto. Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)(2), the Patent Office is authorized to charge Deposit Account No. 13-2490 the entire petition fee as set forth in 37 C.F.R. § 1.17(m). Pursuant to 37 C.F.R. § 1.137(b)(3), the undersigned hereby states that the entire delay in filing the required reply until the filing of a grantable petition was unintentional.

If there are any questions or comments regarding this paper or application, the Patent Office is encouraged to contact the undersigned attorney as indicated below.

Respectfully submitted,


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